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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PERFORMING HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE CO-VERIFICATION TESTING without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration. This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers: Newly executed Declaration, Copy of Declaration from prior application, Abstract Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application: 54 pages of specification and claims (including 51 numbered claims), and sheets of accompanying drawing/s. 13 Attached is a Power of Attorney. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed , respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.. Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Certified copy(ies) filed on in prior application no. filed This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application. This application is a continuation/ division/ continuation-in-part of Application No. . filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application. Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency. The prior application is assigned to It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required. Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached. Please enter the attached preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee: X Also attached:⊠ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission;

Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application;
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